

REMARKS

The Office action mailed on 8 July 2004 (Paper No. 25) has been carefully considered.

Claims 13, 15 and 17 are being canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 1, 5 and 9 are being amended. Thus, claims 1 thru 12, 14, 16 and 18 thru 30 are pending in the application.

In paragraph 3 of the Office action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 thru 12 under 35 U.S.C. §103 for alleged unpatentability over Young *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,479,266 in view of Yuen *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 6,154,203. In paragraph 4 of the Office action, the Examiner rejected claims 14, 16 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §103 for alleged unpatentability over Young *et al.* '266 in view of Yuen *et al.* '203 and Choi, U.S. Patent No. 5,285,265. In paragraph 7 of the Office action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 thru 30 under 35 U.S.C. §103 for alleged unpatentability over Young *et al.* '266 in view of Gruse *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 6,173,112. For the reasons stated below, it is submitted that the invention recited in the claims is distinguishable from the prior art cited by the Examiner so as to preclude rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103.

It is noted that, in the Office action, dependent claims 13, 15 and 17 were not rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 based on the combination of Young *et al.* '266, Yuen *et al.* '265 and Choi '265. Accordingly, independent claims 1, 5 and 9 are being amended to include the recitations from dependent claims 13, 15 and 17, respectively. Thus, independent claims 1, 5 and 9 and

their associated dependent claims should no longer be subject to rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 based on Young *et al.* '266 in combination with Yuen *et al.* '203 and Choi '265.

This leaves only the rejection of claims 1 thru 30 under 35 U.S.C. §103 based on the combination of Young *et al.* '266 with Gruse *et al.* '112. In this regard, it is noted that, in paragraph 5 of the Office action, the Examiner made note of the fact that the filing of a translation of the priority document will eliminate the latter rejection. This is due to the fact that the priority date of the present application (June 20, 1997) precedes the filing date of the secondary reference, Gruse *et al.* '112 (the filing date of the latter reference being November 28, 1997).

Accordingly, Applicant submits an English language translation of the priority document, Korean Priority Application No. 1997-26306, upon which the present application was prepared and filed in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. It is respectfully submitted that the filing of this translation eliminates the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 based on the combination of the Young *et al.* '266 and Gruse *et al.* '112. Accordingly, all claims should now be allowed in this application.

The Examiner is informed however, that the translation is not attached to the foregoing Amendment. Applicant's undersigned attorney expects to receive the English language translation of Korean Priority Application No. 1997-26306 shortly from the client, and he expects to submit the same to the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office for timely consideration by

the Examiner.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims of this application are in condition for allowance, and early issuance thereof is solicited. Should any questions remain unresolved, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicant's attorney.

No fee is incurred by this Amendment.

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